- (A) To such nonfluid milk plant's receipts from dairy farmers who the market administrator determines constitute regular sources of Grade A milk for such nonfluid milk plant; and
- (B) To such nonfluid milk plant's receipts of Grade A milk from plants not fully regulated under any Federal milk order which the market administrator determines constitute regular sources of Grade A milk for such nonfluid milk plant;
- (vi) Any remaining unassigned receipts of bulk fluid milk products at the nonfluid milk plant from fluid milk plants and other order plants shall be assigned, pro rata among such plants, to the extent possible first to any remaining Class I utilization, then to Class II utilization, and then to Class III utilization at such nonfluid milk plant;
- (vii) Receipts of bulk fluid cream products at the nonfluid milk plant from fluid milk plants and other order plants shall be assigned, pro rata among such plants, to the extent possible first to any remaining Class II utilization, then to any remaining Class III utilization, and then to Class I utilization at such nonfluid milk plant; and
- (viii) In determining the nonfluid milk plant's utilization for purposes of this paragraph, any fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products transferred from such nonfluid milk plant to a plant not fully regulated under any Federal milk order shall be classified on the basis of the second plant's utilization using the same assignment priorities at the second plant that are set forth in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

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§ 1044.43 General classification rules.

In determining the classification of producer milk pursuant to §1044.44, the following rules shall apply:

(a) Each month the market administrator shall correct for mathematical and other obvious errors all reports filed pursuant to \$1044.30 and shall compute separately for each fluid milk plant and for each cooperative association with respect to milk for which it is the handler pursuant to \$1044.10 (c) or (d) the pounds of skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in each class in ac-

cordance with §§ 1044.40, 1044.41, and 1044.42;

(b) If any of the water contained in the milk from which a product is made is removed before the product is utilized or disposed of by a handler, the pounds of skim milk in such product that are to be considered under this part as used or disposed of by the handler shall be an amount equivalent to the nonfat milk solids contained in such product plus all of the water originally associated with such solids:

(c) The classification of producer milk for which a cooperative association is the handler pursuant to § 1044.10 (c) or (d) shall be determined separately from the operations of any fluid milk plant operated by such cooperative association:

(d) Bulk fluid milk products transferred or diverted from a fluid milk plant operated by a cooperative association to another fluid milk plant shall be classified in accordance with the rules set forth in §1044.42(a) and the value thereof at class prices (applicable at the location of the transferee-plant) shall be used to compute the receiving handler's net obligation for such milk pursuant to §1044.60; and

(e) Skim milk and butterfat contained in receipts of bulk concentrated fluid milk and nonfluid milk products that are reconstituted for fluid use shall be assigned to Class I use, up to the reconstituted portion of labeled reconstituted fluid milk products, on a pro rata basis (except for any Class I use of specific concentrated receipts that is established by the handler) prior to any assignments under §1044.44. Any remaining skim milk and butterfat in concentrated receipts shall be assigned to uses under §1044.44 on a pro rata basis, unless a specific use of such receipts is established by the handler.

(f) Class III-A milk shall be allocated in combination with Class III milk and the quantity of producer milk eligible to be priced in Class III-A shall be determined by prorating receipts from pool sources to Class III-A use on the basis of the quantity of total receipts of bulk fluid milk products allocated to Class III milk at the plant.

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